

## House Resolution No.

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hopper, treasured residents of Kingdom City, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on March 6, 2005, with a festive celebration at the Williamsburg Community Center; and

**Whereas**, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on March 6, 1955, Robert Allen Hopper and Shirley Ann Blackburn began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony at Mineola Baptist Church; and

**Whereas**, since that happy day, Robert and Shirley Hopper have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

**Whereas**, a devout member and Elder of the Old Auxvasse Nine Mile Presbyterian Church, Mr. Hopper provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones through many years of tireless endeavor as a farmer, while Mrs. Hopper enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a Sunday school teacher and volunteer at the Presbyterian Manor for many years; and

**Whereas**, Robert and Shirley Hopper attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their three children and their spouses, Gary and Carol Hopper, Kent and Christi Hopper, and Karen and Ev Nelson; and their eight grandchildren, Lance, Grant, Jeremy, Jackie, Justin, Nicole, Jennifer, and Rebecca; and

**Whereas**, Robert and Shirley Hopper have remained devoted life partners and have put forth a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sanctity of the vows they took so very long ago:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause Robert and Shirley Hopper upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and contentment as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hopper.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. \_\_\_\_, adopted \_\_\_\_, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker